

New Arrivals

Fiction

No Rest for the Dead by David Baldacci

Split Second by Catherine Coulter

Dick Francis's Gamble by Felix Francis

The Nightmare Thief by Meg Gardiner

Merciless by Diana Palmer

Now You See Her by James Patterson

Burnt Mountain by Anne Rivers Siddons

Portrait of a Spy by Daniel Silva

Non-Fiction

The Consuming Instinct by Gad Saad and David M. Buss

The Story of Charlotte's Web by Michael Sims

There Are Things I Want You to Know about Steig Larsson and Me by Eva Gabrielsson

Walt Disney's Mickey Mouse by Floyd Gottfredson

Warren Buffett Invests Like a Girl by Motley Fool

World on Fire by Amanda Foreman

CONNECTIONS

July 2011



One Book, One Region 2011

Programs for July

Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close by Jonathan Safran Foer



Family Program: Al Kebab's Little Chefs Wednesday, July 6 at 6 p.m.

Local restaurant owner Al Klimova demonstrates simple vegetarian Mediterranean/Middle Eastern recipes with some help from the younger members of the audience. All are invited to taste the creations. A special craft project will also be provided.

Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and the Trials of al Oaeda Fighters Wednesday, July 13 at 7 p.m.

2011 marks the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. Join Captain Glenn M. Sulmasy, Chairman of the Humanities Department at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, for an informative presentation about Khalid Sheikh Mohammed who the 9/11 Commission Report alleges was "the principal architect of the 9/11 attacks." Captain Sulmasy has been a National Security and Human Rights Fellow at the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at Harvard University. He has written and lectured widely on national security and constitutional law and frequently is a guest on National Public Radio and other national radio outlets.

The goals of eastern Connecticut's One Book project are:

- •To bring people together to discuss ideas,
- •To broaden the appreciation of reading, and
 - •To break down barriers among people

For more information about the One Book Project and additional events, visit: onebookoneregion.org

July programs for the One Book, One Region continue on the back page.

July Movies

Monday Matinee

Monday Matinee will feature the 2011 version of *True Grit* on Monday, July 11, at 2 p.m. A fourteen year old farm girl sets out to capture her father's murderer. She hires a tough reprobate U.S. marshal to help her, and they are joined by a Texas Ranger who has his own reasons for capturing the murderer. The movie stars Jeff Bridges, J



murderer. The movie stars Jeff Bridges, Josh Brolin, Matt Damon and Hailee Steinfeld. The film, nominated for 10 Oscars, is rated PG-13 and runs for 110 minutes.

Classic Cinema



Classic Cinema will screen the 1953 western, *Shane*, on Tuesday, July 19, at 2 p.m. Alan Ladd stars as a weary gunfighter who attempts to settle down with a homestead family. His dream of a

peaceful life is crushed when a smoldering conflict forces him to act. Jean Arthur, Van Heflin and Jack Palance also star in the film. The film was nominated for 6 Oscars and won for best color cinematography; it runs for 118 minutes and is not rated.

Both movies are free and open to the public. Reservations are not required.

Library Book Club

The Book Club will discuss *Cutting for Stone*by Abraham Verghese on Wednesday, July
13, at 7 p.m. Verghese's bestselling novel
tells the tale of twin brothers Shiva and
Marion Stone. Their mother, a nun from India, dies
during their birth, and their British father, a surgeon,
abandons them. As revolution brews decades later in
Ethiopia, Marion, a surgeon like his father, flees to
America, where he eventually confronts his past.

The book discussion is free and open to the public. No registration is necessary; just read the book and join us for an informal discussion. If you would like more information, please contact Barbara Clark-Greene at 860-441-6750.

Sea Glass and Pottery Collecting

McClain will present an informative talk on sea glass and sea pottery classification and identification on July 19 at 7 p.m. Her program will appeal to budding beachcombers, seasoned history buffs or just the curious. All are welcome. Attendees may bring one piece of sea glass or pottery for

Sea glass collector and artist, Lori

McClain has been an avid sea glass collector for 35 years. Over that time, she has become very knowledgeable in the identification of sea glass - its age, rarity, and even identifying the probable history of the original item.

identification.

Lori combines sea glass and pewter castings of sea creatures with silver, crystal, glass and aluminum to create earrings, bracelets, necklaces and a line of decorative home accessories which are sold in area galleries and shops under the name "Ocean Originals."

Free and open to the public. Reservations are not required. Please call the Library at 860-441-6750 for more information.

Online Access to Consumer Reports with your Library Card

Looking for a new air conditioner? In addition to Consumer Reports magazine, the Groton Public Library offers online access from your home computer to Consumer Reports via our website at www.grotonpl.org

Click on the *Consumer Reports* online button and log in with your Groton Public Library, Waterford Public Library or Mystic & Noank Library card barcode number and start searching for product reviews. Don't have one of these cards? Online access to Consumer Reports is always available at the Library.

Take Control of Your Energy Use and Start Reducing Costs!



If you missed his presentation last
November, we hope you will join us on
Thursday, July 28 at 7 p.m. as Steve
Matheny of Mystic Innovations Group
repeats this informative and enlightening
Energy Efficiency Seminar just in time for the
dog days of August!

The seminar will introduce participants to some of the low-cost devices and web-based technologies available to help homeowners reduce monthly energy costs. You will have hands-on access to the new ERT wireless receiver that allows CL&P customers to monitor their energy use in realtime, WiFi thermostats and the

Kill-A-Watt monitoring devices that are available to borrow from the Library. You will also learn about the many software tools like Microsoft Hohm, Android@Home, the Department of Energy's Home Energy Saver and some of the State and Federal programs that are available to Connecticut residents.

Come learn what you need to know to start making informed decisions about your energy usage. This program is free and open to the public. Please call the Library at 860-441-6750 to register

Mystic Innovations Group is a local company that develops and tests new technologies for government agencies.



Summertime...and the Reading is Easy

Grab some of these new books and head for the beach or the deck or the porch or the hammock... You get the general idea – relax with some good summer reads.

Ann Brashares – Sisterhood Everlasting

Fans of the Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants series will love Brashares' latest novel. Carmen, Lena, Bridget and Tibby are all grown up now, leading lives of their own. Having lost touch with each other over the years, Carmen, Lena, and Bridget are surprised when they receive plane tickets to travel to Australia for a reunion with Tibby, but after tragedy strikes their lives are changed forever.

Charlaine Harris - Dead Reckoning

The new season of *True Blood* is starting, but if you can't get enough of Sookie you may need to read her new adventure. After Merlotte's is firebombed, clairvoyant Sookie Stackhouse is distracted from investigating the crime when she realizes her vampire lover, Eric Northman, and his "child," Pam, are plotting to kill the vampire who is now their master.

Alexander McCall Smith - The Dog Who Came in from the Cold

This charming and entertaining new episode in the Corduroy Mansions series presents the further exploits of the Pimlico terrier Freddie de la Hay. Chaos reigns on Terence Moongrove's estate thanks to the cosmological experiments of two New Age operators, while literary agent Barbara Ragg takes on a companion of the Abominable Snowman and Freddie de la Hay is recruited by MI6.

Jo Nesbo – The Snowman

If you have read the entire Stieg Larsson trilogy and are craving more Scandinavian crime, try the new Jo Nesbo mystery. After the first snow of the season in Oslo, a woman disappears, and a sinister snowman is left in her place. As grumpy detective Harry Hole realizes hers is only one of many disappearances, he begins to think a serial killer may be at work--and may be trying to target Hole.

Daniel Silva – Portrait of a Spy

The latest in Silva's series about master art restorer and assassin, Gabriel Allon finds Gabriel summoned by the CIA after he fails to stop a suicide bomber attack in London. But Gabriel must deal with a CIA rife with conflict and unprepared to deal with the newest global jihadist terror.

Steven Tyler – Does the Noise in My Head Bother You?

If you watched the past season of American Idol, you may have found Steven Tyler the most entertaining part of the show. Now you can read his story of his life as the front man of the classic rock band Aerosmith, including his rise to rock stardom in the 70s, the band's drop in popularity, and their comeback in the late 80s and 90s. It promises to be a fascinating story, told in Tyler's inimitable voice.

Young Adult Services

Monday Movies

Monday, July 11—August 2 at 2p.m.

Stop by with your friends and choose a movie to watch on the big screen. No registration required. Movies need to be rated PG and will be chosen from a selection made by the Library.

One World, Many Crafts

Tuesday, June 28 - August 1 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

All ages are invited to drop by the Children's Room and make a craft from different parts of the world. No registration required - just drop-in!



Knitting Circle

own needles.

Wednesdays in July & August, from 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. This informal knitting club is geared to beginning knitters. Please bring your

Hands on Henna

Wednesday, July 20, at 6 p.m. As part of the *One Book* program, learn about this ancient art form and decorate yourself with washable henna. Students under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult caregiver; those ages 13—18 must have a signed permission slip.





Anime Club Anime Art

Thursday, July 28, at 6:30 p.m. Learn the basics of creating Anime with Conam Lee from the Mystic Arts Center as part of the monthly anime club meeting. Registration required for drawing class.

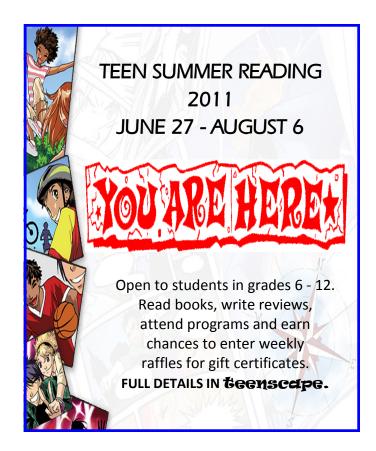


Get Your Game On!

Friday, July 8—August 5 from 3 p.m.—5 p.m. Library's Wii gaming system and board games will be available. Feel free to bring an E-rated favorite game to share. Open to students in grades 5 and up.

17th Annual Sidewalk Chalk Contest Friday, July 8, from 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Create your own piece of sidewalk art related to the *One World, Many Stories* summer reading theme. Registration begins July 1.







Mockingjay Uprising: Would You Survive the Hunger Games?
Tuesday, July 12, at 6:30 p.m.

For fans of the Nutmeg nominee by Suzanne Collins... let the games begin and may the odds be in your favor. Please bring a canned food item for people who are hungry in our community.

Children's Services

One World, Many Stories - Summer Reading 2011

School-aged Game

Students entering grades 1 - 6 can come to the Library on or after June 25 to pick up a game booklet. Record your reading and earn turns at our game board to win stickers, fun facts, prizes, activity sheets and chances for extra turns. Read for six hours and earn a free book (limit 3 books per child.) Visit all seven continents and receive a special prize!

Read-to-Me Game

Children entering kindergarten in the fall & younger can come to the Children's Room and receive a reading booklet. Family members, friends or caregivers read to children and for each ten books read, your child will receive a sticker for their booklet and an item to color and display at the library. Collect all six stickers and your child will win a book prize. Keep reading, coloring items and winning (limit of 3 books per child.)

Drop - In Programs

Lullaby Concerts

Monday, July 11 - August 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of quiet music by talented musicians and stories read by some of our favorite people in our Ann Bausch Memorial Reading Garden. Jammies and snuggle toys welcome. No registration required.



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7/5—Masks **7/19**—Dolls

7/12 Games **7/26**—Jewelry

Stop-in Storytime

Wednesday, June 29 - August 3, at 10 a.m.

Miss Sue shares stories, songs and fingerplays with children and their caregivers. No registration required. Just stop in!



Books by the Banner* June 30 - August 4, at 10 a.m.

Meet Miss Jen by the banner at Poquonnock Plains Park for a funfilled summer storytime. Bring a

blanket or a chair and join in the fun! *Rain cancels.

Summer Fun Fridays

Movie: Mickey's Around the World in 80 Days

July 1 at 10 a.m.

Join Mickey Mouse and his friends as they travel from country to country, learning along

the way. Not rated. All ages. No registration required.

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July 8 from 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

A GPL Tradition! Create your own piece of sidewalk art related to the "One World, Many Stories" summer reading theme. Registration begins July 1. Open to all ages.



Dewey's Awesome Race

July 15 at 10 a.m.

Loosely based on television's *Amazing Race*, players will complete challenges created from the subject categories of the Dewey Decimal System. Registration begins July 8. For children grades 1 - 6.

A World of Weaving

July 22 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Join us for a special weaving class.
Make a basket, pot holder or friendship bracelet. Limited class size.
Registration begins July 15. For ages 8 +



A Kaleidoscopic Family Adventure

July 29 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

We will create dream vacations, play games, make crafts and learn a dance. Bring two cups of any chopped fruit for a fruit salad feast. Registration begins July 22. Open to all ages.





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Family Program: Hands-on Henna

Wednesday, July 20, at 6 p.m.

Children's Activity Room

After a brief introduction to the history of henna, you will have the opportunity to choose and apply your own temporary henna tattoo. Henna is a paste made from the leaves of the henna plant and it stains the upper layers of the skin; henna tattoos last from 2 to 6 weeks. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult caregiver; those ages 13—18 must have a signed permission slip.



Film: Everything is
Illuminated
Wednesday, July 27, at 7 p.m.
A young Jewish American man
goes on a quest to find the
woman who saved his
grandfather in a small Ukrainian
town that was decimated by the

Nazi invasion. Based on Jonathan Safran Foer's debut novel, *Everything is Illuminated*. Rated PG-13; 105 minutes.

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The Library will be closed July 2, 3 & 4.

GMTV "Live" Online

Groton Public Library's Groton Municipal Television (GMTV) is now available "live" on the Groton Public Library and Town of Groton websites. To watch GMTV live online, go to www.grotonpl.org or www.town.groton.ct.us, and click on the GMTV icon.

GMTV is a government access television service that airs on Comcast Cable Television and Thames Valley Communications Channel 2. In addition to live programming, viewers can also watch Video on Demand by selecting current and previously aired programs from the website's video library. Programs currently available for viewing are @ Your Library, Ledge Light Healthwatch, Groton Senior Beat, Welcome to Groton, library lectures, town meetings and other town events.

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Monday 9—9
Tuesday 9—9
Wednesday 9—9
Thursday 9—9
Friday 9—5:30
Saturday 9—5

Sunday (Sept-May) 1—5